

RO/RO RAMP TO PLATFORM INTERFACE

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Ship ramps designed for calm water pier operations, not for dynamic motions.

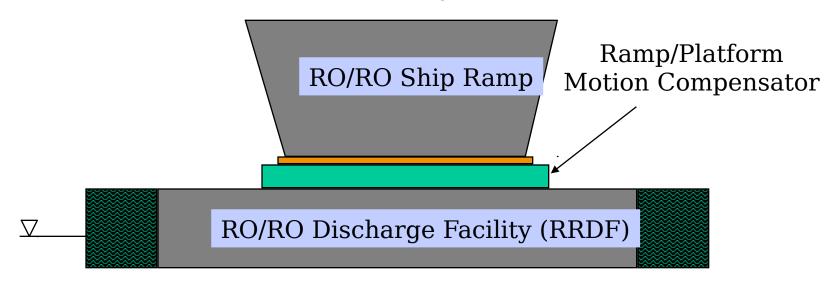
Existing and planned modular platforms do not _____, Ramp stresses compensate for the relative motion between the ramp and RRDF.

exceed design levels.



Objective

Develop a SS3 interface capability between ramps of existing RO/RO ships and existing and future causeway platforms



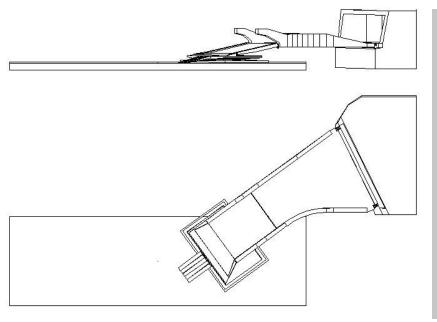


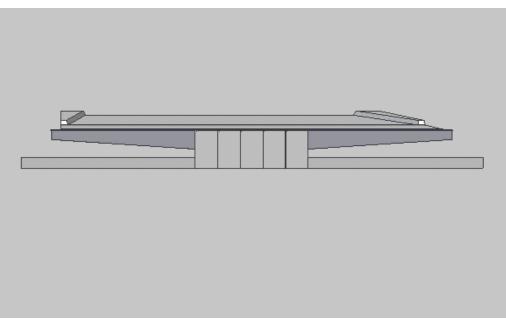
Benefits

- Ability to conduct RO/RO operations through Sea State
- Increased productivity & safety
- Reduce relative motion between ramp and RRDF
- Prevent ramp stress levels from exceeding design limits
- Avoid costly RO/RO ship ramp modifications
- Enable operations with MPF, RRF, commercial and foreign RO/RO vessels



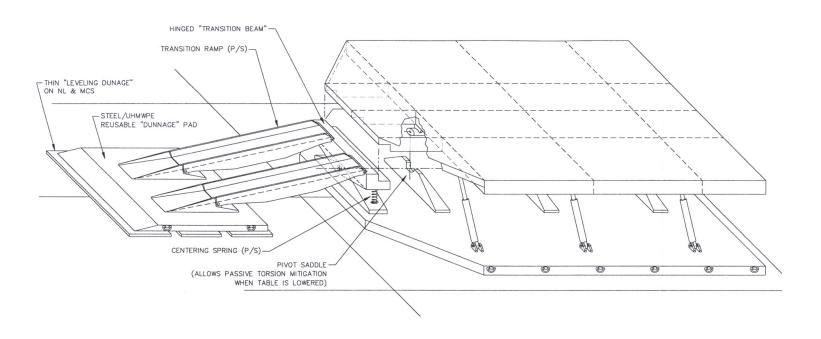
Ramp/Platform Motion Compensator Concept 1







Ramp/Platform Motion Compensator Concept 2





FY01:

Re-Issued BAA

Completed 1st round evaluation

2 concepts selected for further development and evaluation

FY02:

Preliminary designs for simulation completed

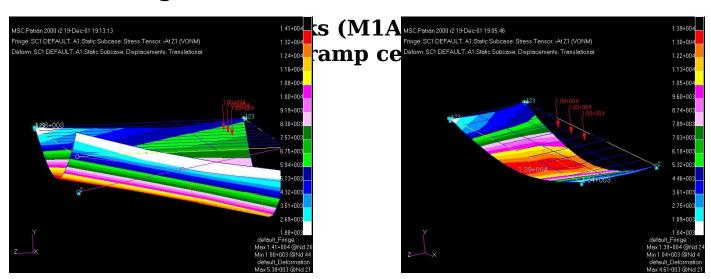
Evaluation of proposed concepts by Naval Postgraduate School

Final down select and continued development.



Naval Postgraduate School Concept Evaluation

- Two ramps (Cape T, LMSR) in stern ramp configuration.
- SS3 with 5 ft significant wave height (Pierson Moscowitz spectrum).
- Beam and Quartering seas (45°, 90° and 135° headings).





Information and updates can be obtained at:

http://www.dt.navy.mil/code282/roro ramp.html



